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SUBJ: JEWISH EMIGRATION

1. ACCORDING TO JEWISH SOURCES IN MOSCOW, ALL-UNION OVIR CHIEF A. V. VEREIN HAS RECENTLY HINTED THAT THERE MIGHT SOON BE MOVEMENT TOWARD PERMITTING AT LEAST SOME OF HARD CORE REFUSAL CASES TO EMIGRATE TO ISRAEL. IN CONVERSATIONS WITH SEVERAL JEWS IN HIS OFFICE, VEREIN SAID THAT AN ALL-UNION COMMISSION IS NOW BEING FORMED WHICH WILL REVIEW HARD CORE CASES WITH VIEW TO ASCERTAINING WHETHER ORIGINAL DENIALS SHOULD NOW BE REVERSED.

2. LITHUANIAN JEWISH SOURCE HAS PROVIDED INFORMATION WHICH TENDS TO CONFIRM ABOVE REPORT. HE STATED THAT LITHUANIAN DEPUTY MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS RECENTLY RECEIVED SEVERAL JEWS AFTER LONG REFUSING SUCH MEETINGS. OFFICIAL STATED HIS PERSONAL BELIEF THAT ALL THOSE DESIRING TO EMIGRATE SHOULD BE PERMITTED TO GO. HOWEVER, HE ATTRIBUTED PROBLEMS WITH HARD CORE CASES TO MOSCOW, AND INDICATED THAT RECORDS ON ALL THESE CASES HAD NOW BEEN SENT TO MOSCOW FOR REVIEW BY ALL-UNION COMMISSION.

3. COMMENT: ONLY TIME WILL TELL WHETHER REPORTS OF CREATION OF SPECIAL COMMISSION ARE CORRECT. DEPARTMENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WILL RECALL THAT LAST TIME SOVIETS EMPLOYED COMMISSION

TECHNIQUE MORE THAN YEAR AGO IT RESULTED IN SIGNIFICANT
UPSURGE IN ISSUANCE OF EXIT VISAS. JEWISH SOURCES, WHO
VIEW DEVELOPMENT WITH GUARDED OPTIMISM, RECALL THAT AT
CONCLUSION OF COMMISSION'S WORK LAST YEAR AUTHORITIES
HINTED THAT NEW COMMISSION MIGHT BE CONVENED AT END
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